

Applicant / Patentee: Mark A. Burns *et al.*  
For: **Thermal Microvalves**

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 CFR §§ 1.9(f) and 1.27(d) - NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION)**

I hereby declare that I am an official empowered to act on behalf of the university (or other institution of higher education) identified below:

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3003 South State Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48109-1280

I hereby declare that the nonprofit organization identified above qualifies as a nonprofit organization as defined in 37 CFR § 1.9(e) for purposes of paying reduced fees under §§ 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code with regard to the invention entitled **Thermal Microvalves**, by inventors named **Mark A. Burns *et al.***, described in the specification filed herewith.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the nonprofit organization with regard to the above identified invention.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR § 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name. I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Thermal Microvalves**, the specification of which is attached hereto. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

08/888,30907/03/97Pending*Application Serial No.**Filing Date**Patented, Pending or Abandoned*

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full Name of Sole or First Inventor: **Mark A. Burns**

Inventor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Full Name of Second Joint Inventor: **Brian N. Johnson**

Inventor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Full Name of Third Joint Inventor: **Michael Chen**

Inventor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Mark A. Burns *et al.*

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Entitled: Thermal Microvalves

## POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, as Assignee of record of the entire interest of the above-identified patent application, hereby appoints the members of the firm of MEDLEN & CARROLL, LLP, a firm composed of:

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as its attorneys with full power of substitution to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith.

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I hereby certify that the Assignment document filed with the application or filed subsequent to the filing date of the application, has been reviewed and I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title is with THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, WE, Mark A. Burns, Brian N. Johnson and Michael Chen, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR", have invented certain new and useful improvements as described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: **Thermal Microvalves**

Filing Date:

Serial No.:

WHEREAS, THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, a Michigan corporation, 3003 South State Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48109-1280, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in said invention and application and in any Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) lawful money paid to ASSIGNOR by ASSIGNEE and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, and ASSIGNEE's successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application for United States Letters Patent, and any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world including any divisions, renewals, continuations in whole or in part, substitutions, conversions, reissues, prolongations or extensions thereof, said interest to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNOR had this assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent.

ASSIGNOR further agrees that ASSIGNOR will, without charge to said ASSIGNEE, but at ASSIGNEE's expense, cooperate with ASSIGNEE in the prosecution of said application and/or applications; execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof; and will perform such other acts as ASSIGNEE lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention and improvement in any and all countries, and to vest title thereto in said ASSIGNEE, or ASSIGNEE's successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has hereunto signed ASSIGNOR's names to this assignment on the date indicated below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mark A. Burns

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Brian N. Johnson

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Michael Chen

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_)

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_)

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On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared the above-named ASSIGNOR, known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same.

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